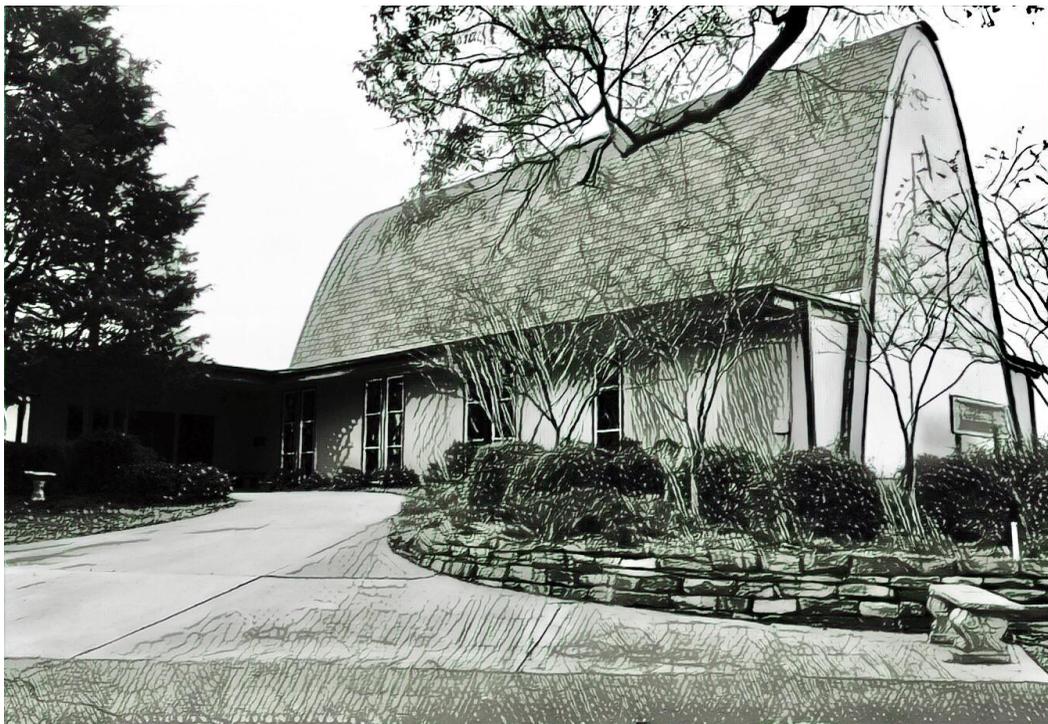


CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH



Rev. George Fields, Pastor

Divine Service Each Week with Holy Communion: **10:30 a.m.**

Sunday School for all ages: **9:00 a.m.**

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THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
+ June 22, 2025 +

“I will not keep silent. I will repay.”



We welcome our members and guests to Christ Lutheran today,
and pray God’s richest blessings upon you during this time of worship!

*All members and our guests are asked to complete the
worship attendance pads which can be found on each pew.
Guests are also asked to sign the guest register found in the Narthex.
We are so glad to have you worshipping with us today!*

*LARGE PRINT worship folders are available
at the usher stand at the back of the nave.*

WELCOME:

"Aslan is a lion—the Lion, the great Lion."

"Ooh" said Susan. "I'd thought he was a man. Is he—quite safe? I shall feel rather nervous about meeting a lion"...

"Safe?" said Mr. Beaver..."Who said anything about safe? 'Course he isn't safe. But he's good. He's the King, I tell you. "

—C.S. Lewis, *The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe*

THE LORD'S SUPPER

In preparation for reception of the Lord's Supper (*Holy Communion*), it is important that we review and understand what the Bible teaches regarding this sacrament:

The Bible teaches that Jesus gives us His very body and blood along with bread and wine in Holy Communion¹, and that these are means by which He forgives our sins², and strengthens us for daily living, and draws us into closer fellowship with Him and other believers. The Bible also teaches us to examine ourselves prior to receiving the meal³. For those receiving Holy Communion, examine yourself with these questions:

Do I believe that I am a sinner and I am sorry for my sins?

Do I believe that Jesus Christ is God's Son and my personal Savior?

Do I believe that Christ's true body and blood are present in this holy meal for my forgiveness?

Do I truly intend with the help of God to correct my sinful life?

According to Christ's Word in the Holy Scriptures, and in confession with the true Christian faith, at Christ Lutheran we observe the practice of closed communion. We believe that all who commune must confess the same holy faith, as Holy Scripture teaches. Since one's church affiliation indicates an individual's confession of faith, we ask that only those who have been instructed in the above teaching **and** are confirmed members of The Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod commune. If you have not been instructed in this teaching on Holy Communion, are in doubt, or hold a different confession of faith⁴, you are still welcome to come forward and cross your arms to indicate that you would like a blessing.

¹Matthew 26:26-29; Mark 14:22-25; Luke 22:14-20, 1 Corinthians 11:23

²Matthew 26:28; 1 John 1:7; 1 Peter 1:18-19

³1 Corinthians 11:28-32

⁴1 Corinthians 10:17; 1 Corinthians 11:26

DIVINE SERVICE III

PRESERVICE MUSIC

OPENING HYMN

O Little Flock, Fear Not the Foe

#666

CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C **who made heaven and earth.**

P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

C **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

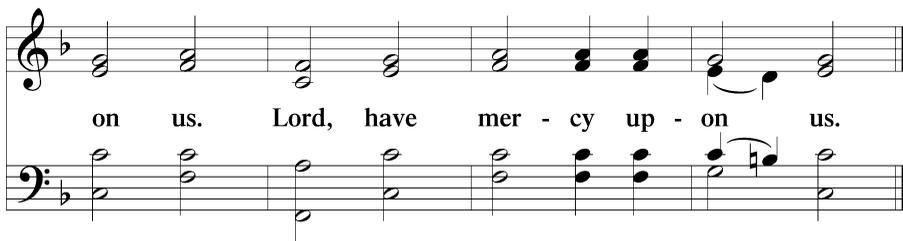
Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

P O almighty God, merciful Father,

C **I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**

P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

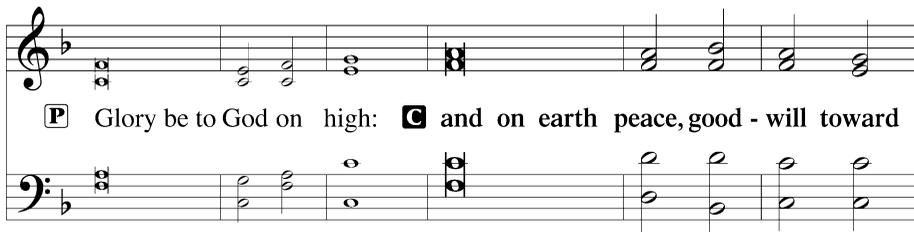


on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

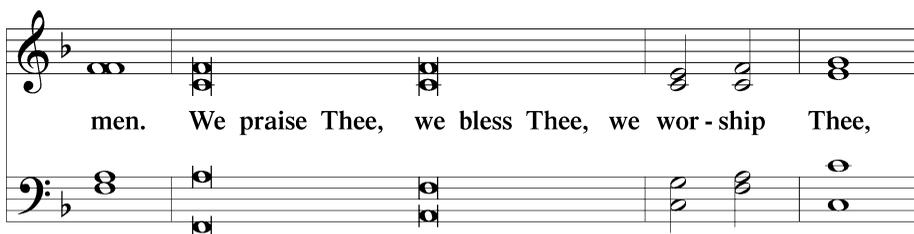
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Luke 2:14; John 1:29

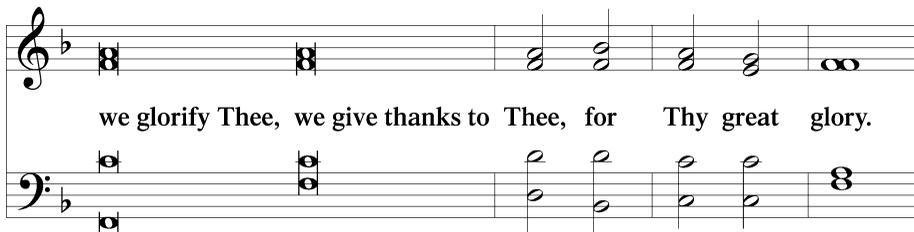
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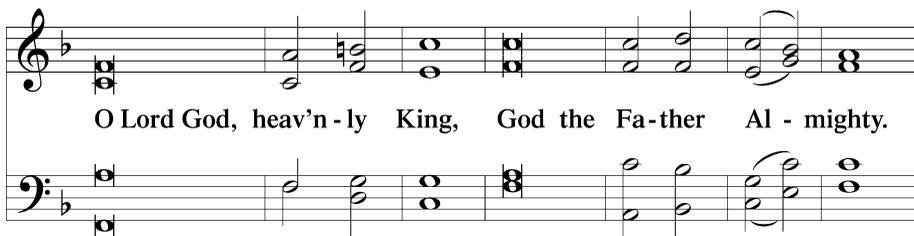
P Glory be to God on high: **C** and on earth peace, good - will toward



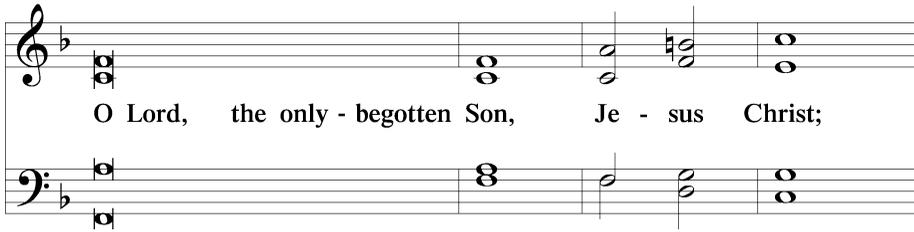
men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor - ship Thee,



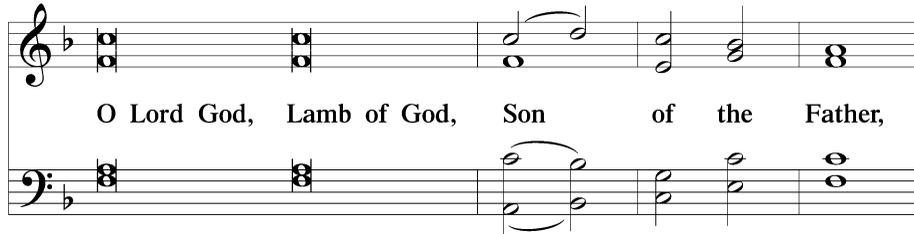
we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.



O Lord God, heav'n - ly King, God the Fa - ther Al - mighty.



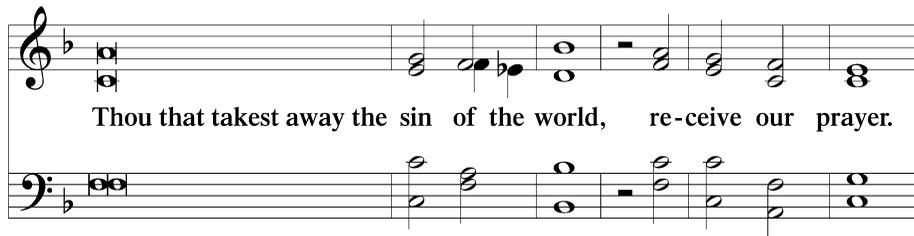
O Lord, the only - begotten Son, Je - sus Christ;



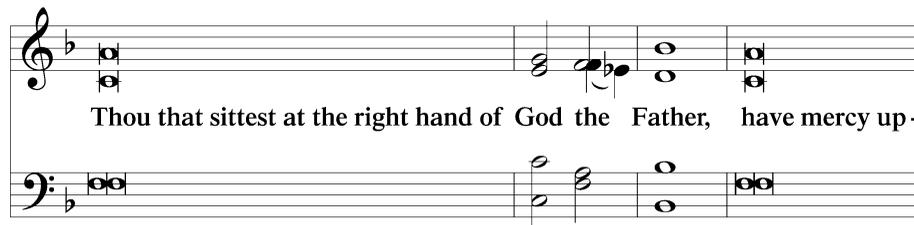
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,



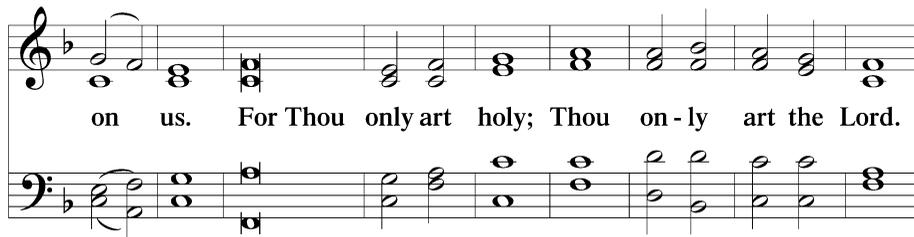
that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy up - on us.



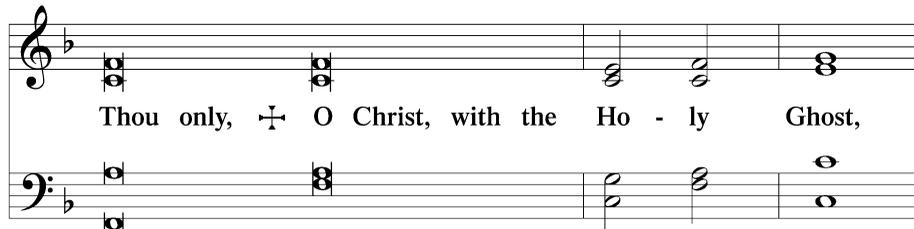
Thou that takest away the sin of the world, re - ceive our prayer.



Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy up -



on us. For Thou only art holy; Thou on-ly art the Lord.

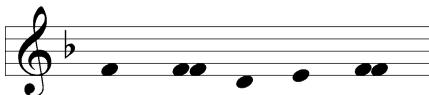


Thou only, † O Christ, with the Ho-ly Ghost,



art most high in the glory of God the Father. A-men.

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY



P The Lord be with you.

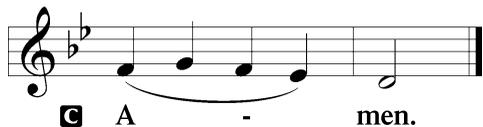


C And with thy spir - it.



P Let us pray.

P O God, You have prepared for those who love You such good things as surpass our understanding. Cast out all sins and evil desires from us, and pour into our hearts Your Holy Spirit to guide us into all blessedness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Please be seated

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Isaiah 65:1-9

I was ready to be sought by those who did not ask for me;

I was ready to be found by those who did not seek me.

I said, "Here am I, here am I,"

to a nation that was not called by my name.

I spread out my hands all the day

to a rebellious people,

who walk in a way that is not good,

following their own devices;

a people who provoke me

to my face continually,

sacrificing in gardens

and making offerings on bricks;

who sit in tombs,

and spend the night in secret places;

who eat pig's flesh,

and broth of tainted meat is in their vessels;

who say, "Keep to yourself,

do not come near me, for I am too holy for you."

These are a smoke in my nostrils,

a fire that burns all the day.

Behold, it is written before me:

"I will not keep silent, but I will repay;

I will indeed repay into their bosom

both your iniquities and your fathers' iniquities together,

says the LORD;

I mean that the heir, as long as he is a child, is no different from a slave, though he is the owner of everything, but he is under guardians and managers until the date set by his father. In the same way we also, when we were children, were enslaved to the elementary principles of the world. But when the fullness of time had come, God sent forth his Son, born of woman, born under the law, to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as sons. And because you are sons, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, “Abba! Father!” So you are no longer a slave, but a son, and if a son, then an heir through God.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Please stand

ALLELUIA

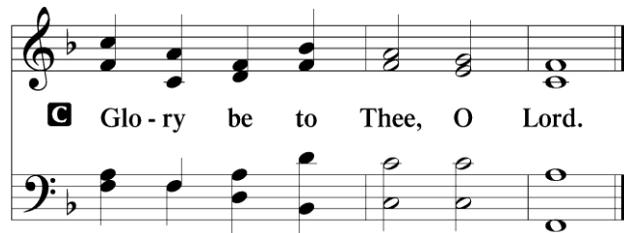


C Al-le-lu-ia. Al-le-lu-ia. Al-le-lu-ia.

HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 8:26-39

P The Holy ✠ Gospel according to St. Luke, the eighth chapter.



C Glo-ry be to Thee, O Lord.

Then they sailed to the country of the Gerasenes, which is opposite Galilee. When Jesus had stepped out on land, there met him a man from the city who had demons. For a long time he had worn no clothes, and he had not lived in a house but among the tombs. When he saw Jesus, he cried out and fell down before him and said with a loud voice, “What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, do not torment me.” For he had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man.

(For many a time it had seized him. He was kept under guard and bound with chains and shackles, but he would break the bonds and be driven by the demon into the desert.) Jesus then asked him, “What is your name?” And he said, “Legion,” for many demons had entered him. And they begged him not to command them to depart into the abyss. Now a large herd of pigs was feeding there on the hillside, and they begged him to let them enter these. So he gave them permission. Then the demons came out of the man and entered the pigs, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and were drowned.

When the herdsmen saw what had happened, they fled and told it in the city and in the country. Then people went out to see what had happened, and they came to Jesus and found the man from whom the demons had gone, sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind, and they were afraid. And those who had seen it told them how the demon-possessed man had been healed. Then all the people of the surrounding country of the Gerasenes asked him to depart from them, for they were seized with great fear. So he got into the boat and returned. The man from whom the demons had gone begged that he might be with him, but Jesus sent him away, saying, “Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you.” And he went away, proclaiming throughout the whole city how much Jesus had done for him.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

The image shows a musical score for a hymn. It consists of two staves: a treble clef staff on top and a bass clef staff on the bottom. The key signature is one flat (B-flat). The melody is written in a simple, hymn-like style with quarter and eighth notes. The lyrics 'Praise be to Thee, O Christ.' are written below the treble staff. A square box containing the letter 'C' is placed at the beginning of the lyrics.

Please be seated

OFFICE HYMN

Sing, My Tongue, the Glorious Battle

#454

SERMON

Legion

Please stand

NICENE CREED

C **I believe in one God,** (Rom 10:10; Deut 6:4)

the Father Almighty, (Mt 6:9; Ex 6:3)

maker of heaven and earth (Gen 1:1; Jn 1:1)

and of all things visible and invisible. (Col 1:16)

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, (Rom 10:9)

the only-begotten Son of God, (Jn 3:16; Mt 16:16)

begotten of His Father before all worlds, (Jn 1:2)

God of God, Light of Light, (Jn 17:22; Jn 8:12; Jn 1:1)

very God of very God, (Col 2:9) **begotten, not made,** (Jn 1:2)

being of one substance with the Father, (Jn 10:30)

by whom all things were made; (Heb 1:2; Jn 1:3)

who for us men and for our salvation (1 Tim 2:4; Rom 3:23)

came down from heaven (Jn 6:41; Lk 15:20)

and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary (Lk 1:34-35)

and was made man; (Jn 1:14)

and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. (Mk 15:25; Jn 19:16-18)

He suffered and was buried. (Jn 19:1-3; Lk 23:53)

And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures (1 Cor 15:4; Lk 24:6)

and ascended into heaven (Acts 1:9)

and sits at the right hand of the Father. (Acts 7:55)

And He will come again with glory (Mt 26:64)

to judge both the living and the dead, (Acts 10:42; Mt 3:12)

whose kingdom will have no end. (2 Pt 1:11)

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, (Jn 14:26; Gen 1:2; Acts 2:38)

the Lord and giver of life, (Gen 1:2; Jn 3:6)

who proceeds from the Father and the Son, (Jn 15:26)

who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, (Mt 3:16-17)

who spoke by the prophets. (Eze 11:5)

And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, (1 Pt 2:5; Eph 2:19-22)

I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, (Eph 4:5)

and I look for the resurrection of the dead (1 Cor 15:35-49; 1 Thess 4:13-18)

and the life ✝ of the world to come. (Mk 10:29-30; Mt 10:40-42)

Amen. (Ps 106:48)

Us men means all people.

Christian: the ancient text reads “catholic,” meaning the whole Church as it confesses the wholeness of Christian doctrine

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

After each petition of the prayer:

Pastor: Let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

For comfort, health, and recovery: **Eloise Springer, Casey Stone, Nicole Tatum, Donny Thomas;**

For those who mourn: the family and friends of **Ann Marie Farley, Corinne Watts;**

For those who are ill or distressed: **Jenalee Adams, Blair Alford, Layne Bagley, Shirley Bagley, W.L. Bagley, Sarah Bowman, Deloris Brent, Martha Brown, Nathan Brown, Hunter Burkhalter, Wayne Burt, Bobby Carroll, Joan Cowards, Belinda Cowards-Gonzales, Robert (Andy) Evers, Tahlia Ferderer, George Fields, Parker Haines, Dan Hansen, Tim Hansen, Faye Hartman, Valerie Henderson, Sharon Holleman, April Ann Hubmann, Joslyn Jones, Nancy Jones, Steve Kennedy, John Koster, Katelyn Lawing, Sróng Le, Paul McCullough, Jerry McIntyre, Edlia Miller, Elaine Monaghan, Don Ochs, Pippin Family, Deborah-Annette Ried, Jon Sandberg, Noah Schultz, Jonnie Pearl Smiley, Bob Smith, Sherri Smith, Deborah Springer, Eloise Springer, Gary Stoeckmann, Lesley Tatum, Nicole Tatum, Donny Thomas, Nikki Vines, Leonard Watson, Dana Weaver, Cynthia Widlitz, Barbara Zeigler;**

For college and graduate students: **Sara Fields;**

For military servants and their families: **Gabriel Escude, Glen Hansford, Bill Nelson, Steven Tatum;**

For foreign missionaries

This week's prayer family: **The Ramsey Family** and their loved ones.

Please be seated

OFFERING

As the offering is collected, you may sign the red fellowship pad.

Please stand

OFFERTORY

Psalm 51:10-12

The congregation is invited to sing in parts:

C Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -
new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -
way from Thy pres - ence, and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it
from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va -
tion, and up - hold me with Thy free spir - it. A - men.

SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

PREFACE

2 Timothy 4:22; [Colossians 3:1]; [Psalm 136]



P The Lord be with you.

C And with thy spir - it.



P Lift up your hearts.

C We lift them up un - to the Lord.

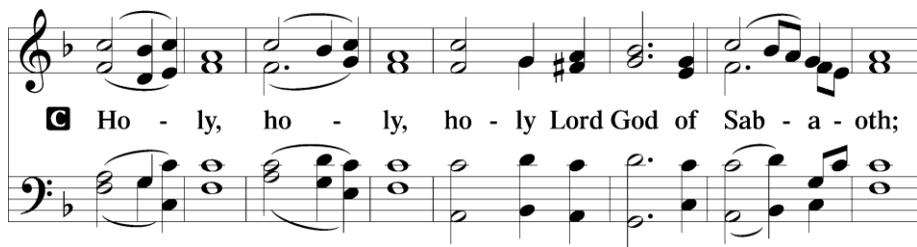


P Let us give thanks un - to the Lord, our God.

- P** It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, who with Your only-begotten Son and the Holy Spirit are one God, one Lord. In the confession of the only true God, we worship the Trinity in person and the Unity in substance, of majesty coequal. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

SANCTUS

Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9



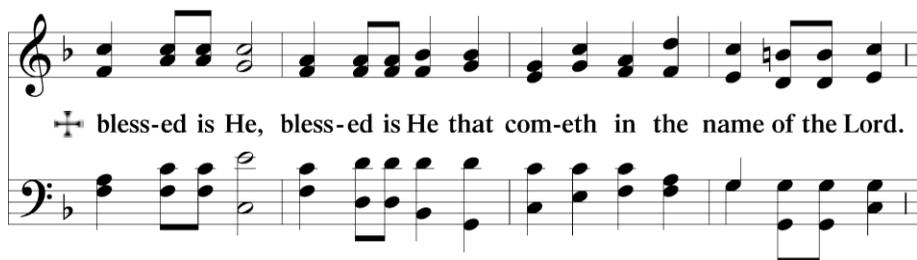
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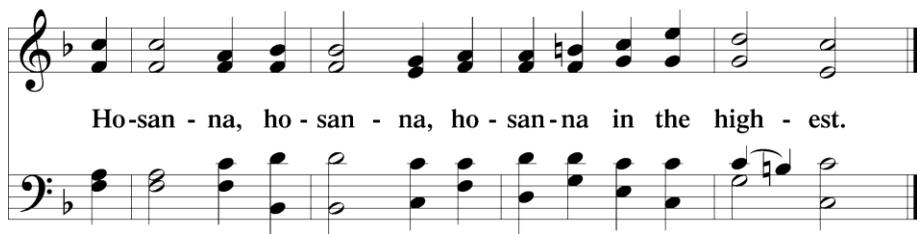
heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,



ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He,



✠ bless - ed is He, bless - ed is He that com - eth in the name of the Lord.



Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

LORD'S PRAYER

Matthew 6:9-13

- P** *Our Father who art in heaven,
Hallowed be Thy name,
Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven;
Give us this day our daily bread;
And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us;
And lead us not into temptation,
But deliver ✠ us from evil.*

C For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the
glo - ry for - ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

The musical score consists of two systems. The first system has a vocal line in the treble clef and a piano accompaniment in the bass clef. The second system continues the vocal line and piano accompaniment. The key signature is one flat (B-flat), and the time signature is common time (C). The piano accompaniment features a steady bass line with chords that support the vocal melody.

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

Matthew 26:26-28

- P** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: “Take, eat; this is My ✠ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me.”
- In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: “Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✠ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.”

PAX DOMINI

John 20:19



P The peace ✠ of the Lord be with you al - ways.

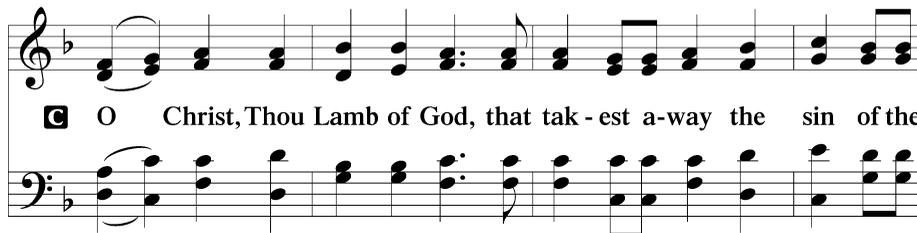


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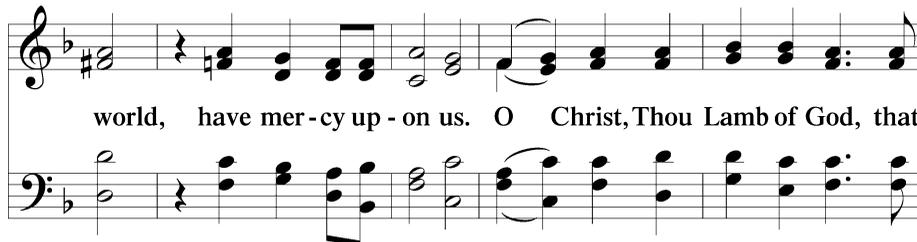
AGNUS DEI

John 1:29

The congregation is invited to sing in parts.



C O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the



world, have mer - cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that



tak - est a-way the sin of the world, have mer - cy up - on us.

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. A - men.

Please be seated

DISTRIBUTION OF THE SACRAMENT

All who are members in good standing of the Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod and have introduced themselves to the pastor are welcome to partake of the Holy Communion at Christ Lutheran. If you have not spoken to the pastor, but would like to receive the Lord's blessing, you may still come to the rail and kneel, crossing one arm over the other in the shape of an 'X'. This symbolizes that one is marked by the cross and Triune name of Almighty God.

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

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|--|-------------|
| Your Hand, O Lord, in Days of Old | #846 |
| Rise, Shine, You People | #825 |
| Rise! To Arms! With Prayer Employ You | #668 |

Please stand following distribution of communion

NUNC DIMITTIS

Luke 2:29-32

Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace ac -

cord-ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,

which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people,

a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of Thy

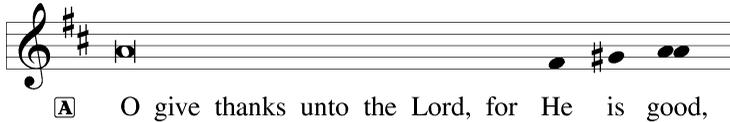
peo-ple Is - ra - el. Glo - ry be to the Father and

to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning,

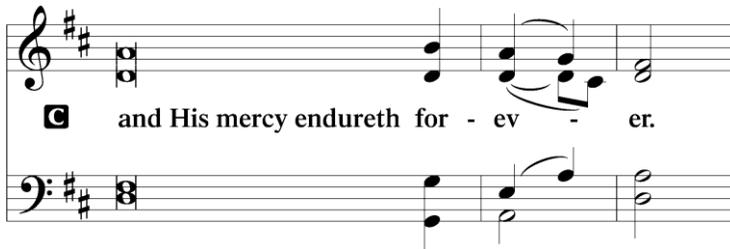


is now, and ev - er shall be, world with-out end. A-men.

THANKSGIVING



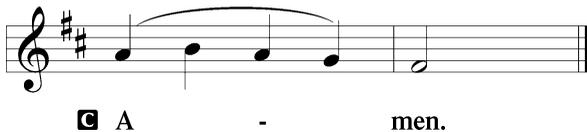
A O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,



C and His mercy endureth for - ev - er.

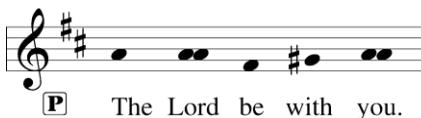
POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

- A** We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C A - men.

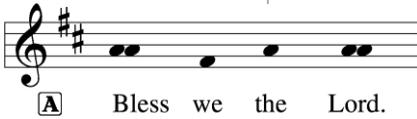
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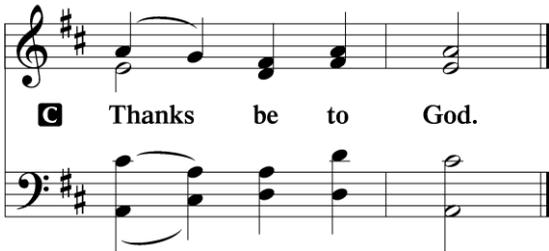
P The Lord be with you.



C And with thy spir - it.



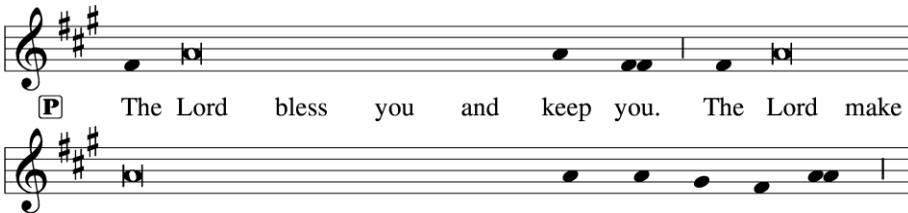
A Bless we the Lord.



C Thanks be to God.

BENEDICTION

Numbers 6:24-26

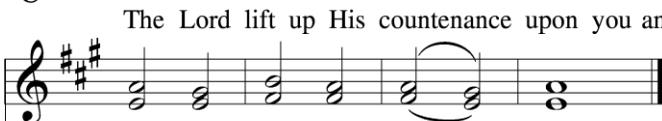


P The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make

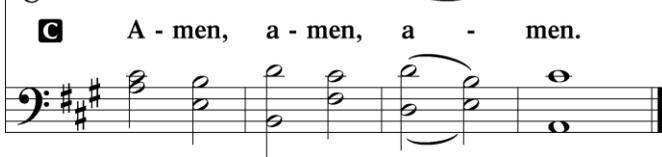
His face shine upon you and be gra - cious un - to you.



The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.



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Serving Today:

Celebrant: Rev. George Fields
Acolytes: William Held
Interpreter: Denee Smith
Altar Guild: Margaret Haynes

Elder: Keith Martin
Organist: Sister Sara
Cantor: Emily Held

Altar Flowers: This morning's altar flowers are given for the glory of God by the Miller family in memory of Jo's daughter and David's sister, Suzzi Adkins.

Vacation Bible School: VBS is upon us! "Dive" into the Ten Commandments with us *this week, June 24-26, from 5:00-7:00 p.m.* If you have children, grandchildren, or know someone who does, contact Krista Hansford to join the fun.

Wednesday Morning Matins: Join us for a midweek prayer office this summer. At 7:30 on Wednesday mornings, we meet to begin the day in God's Word, following the *Treasury of Daily Prayer*.

Communio Next Sunday: Communio is coming, and this month we are hosted by... the church! Join us next Sunday in the Fellowship Hall (5:00 p.m.) as we continue with chapter nine of our book *(Dis)Ordered*, by Rev. Christopher Esget. Dinner will be potluck-style, so bring your favorite dish to share; drinks and coffee will be provided.

Readings for next Sunday, June 29th, the Third Sunday after Pentecost:
 Introit Ps. 85:8-10, 13; Psalm 16; 1 Kings 19:9-21; Galatians 5:1, 13-25; Luke 9:51-62.

This week at Christ Lutheran Church: June 23 – June 29

Tuesday	5:00 p.m. VBS
Wednesday	7:30 a.m. Matins
	5:00 p.m. VBS
Thursday	5:00 p.m. VBS
Friday	6:30 a.m. Bible & Breaky @ Broadstreet
Sunday	9:00 a.m. Sunday School for All Ages
	10:30 a.m. Divine Service – Third Sunday after Pentecost
	5:00 p.m. Communio